



Green Neighborhood Credits

Circle your earned credits to the right and total them at the bottom. You must earn 50 or more credits to become a Green Neighborhood. If 30% of your neighborhood become Green Neighbors, you automatically qualify as a Green Neighborhood!

Green Neighborhood Prizes!

Check any or all boxes

- ☐ Council Certificate for Neighborhood Association or Subdivision
- ☐ Web Site Recognition
- ☐ Article in City of Austin's
- ☐ 2-hour Landscape Design for neighborhood common area
- ☐ Green Neighborhood signs for posting in neighborhood (maximum of 2)
- ☐ Scoop the Poop Box (must be installed and maintained by neighborhood)
- ☐ Neighborhood Tree Giveaway

Please mail you tally sheet to:

Green City Challenge
City of Austin
P.O. Box 1088-WPDRD/ERM
Austin, TX 78757

Distribute Green Neighbor booklets for the entire neighborhood (required)	15	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sponsor a Stormdrain Marking Event: www.cityofaustin.org/watershed/wq_stormdrain.htm	10	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recognize Award-Winning Green Gardens www.cityofaustin.org/greengarden/awgg	10	<input type="checkbox"/>
Invite an environmental expert to speak at a homeowners meeting	8	<input type="checkbox"/>
Replace any privately-owned amenity center lights and/or street lights with low energy substitutes	12	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hire an earth-wise landscape professional for common areas (www.growgreen.org/downloads/hiring.pdf)	10	<input type="checkbox"/>
Purchase and hang a Scoop the Poop box in your neighborhood park or central location (Call 974-2550)	6	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sponsor a Creek Cleanup through Keep Austin Beautiful (Call 391-0617)	8	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adopt-a-Park (www.cityofaustin.org/parks/volunteer.htm)	10	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prepare a history or photo documentation of your creek(s)	12	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sponsor a neighborhood Tree Planting through NeighborWoods - (Call 440-5179)	10	<input type="checkbox"/>
If 30% of your neighborhood become Green Neighbors, you automatically qualify as a Green Neighborhood!	50	<input type="checkbox"/>

Total your neighborhood's score
(Need at least 50 point to win)

Total

Contact Information

Name

Address

Zip

Phone

Neighborhood Name

Green Neighborhood Credit Frequently Asked Questions:

1. Who qualifies as a Green Neighborhood?
Any of the following:
 - *A Neighborhood Association
 - *A neighborhood of at least 20 households
 - *An office, church or other group with at least 20 households
2. How many booklets do we need to distribute?
You must give them to the entire neighborhood.
3. How many storm drains do need to mark?
You must install at least 15 markers and submit the names of members of at least three households that participated.
4. What does it take to qualify as a Green Garden?
The yards must be both environmentally-sound and attractive enough to serve as a model for others. Nominations will be judged on both qualifications.
5. How can I find an environmental speaker for my neighborhood group?
Place a request via http://www.cityofaustin.org/watershed/wq_speakers.htm
6. How many lights and/or street lights need to be replaced with low energy substitutes to qualify?
You must replace at least eight bulbs.
7. Do you know where we can find an earth-wise landscape professional for common areas?
While the City does not recommend professionals, we have trained many in environmental principles.
You can find a list at http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/greengarden/certified_professionals.htm or check out or fact sheet with questions to ask a professional at http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/greengarden/downloads/hiring_a_professional.pdf
8. Where do we get a Scoop the Poop box?
The City will provide you with the box if you agree to install and maintain it. That box can count towards your credits.
9. How do we sponsor a creek cleanup?
Call Keep Austin Beautiful at 391-0617 or visit www.KeepAustinBeautiful.org , you can also adopt a creek through Keep Austin Beautiful.
10. What do I need to include in a history of my creek or in the photo documentation?
 - ☐ Who or what is the creek named after?
 - ☐ When was the creek named?
 - ☐ Submit at least two historical photos of your creek from the Austin History Center
 - ☐ Provide at least six photos of the creek along various parts of its length including:
 - the prettiest area
 - the most problematic area (trash, erosion, etc)
 - a developed area
 - an undeveloped area
 - recreation on the creek
 - ☐ Present your history/photos to the neighborhood association, or place it in a newsletter or on a list_serve. (required)